# AGENDA FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY COMMISSION FOR WOMEN'S HEALTH COMMITTEE

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MONDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2015, 12:30 P.M.

#### **TELECONFERENCE CALL-IN NUMBER IS 213-974-9297**





#### Members:

Commissioner Charlotte Lesser and Commissioner Dora de la Rosa

#### **Community Partners:**

Dr. Genevieve Clavreul, Raquel Aries, Peggy Avineri, Stephanie Lee, Esq., Michele Memmott, Katie Murphy, Esq., Summer Nagano, Lauren Nakano, Tammy Rocker and Brook Mcintyre Tuley

HEALTH COMMITTEE AGENDA POSTED: February 6, 2015

MISSION STATEMENT: The Los Angeles County Commission for Women seeks to represent the interest and concerns of women of all races, ethnic and social backgrounds, religious convictions, sexual orientation and social circumstances.

PUBLIC COMMENT: The meetings are open to the public. Before addressing the Commission, a request to address the Commission must be submitted in person to Commission Staff. The Commission may limit public input on any item based on the number of people requesting to speak and the business of the Commission. Public comment should not exceed THREE minutes for each speaker. A member of the public has the right to address the Commission on items of interest which are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Commission.

**REMINDER: THIS IS A BROWN BAG LUNCH MEETING** 

Call to Order.

• Welcome and introductions. (15-0686)

#### I. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

- 1. Appointment of the Scribe for the February 9, 2015 Health Committee's meeting. (15-0700)
- 2. Review of the December 3, 2014 Health Committee's Minutes.
  - Brook McIntyre Tuley (15-0701)

Attachments: SUPPORTING DOCUMENT

- **3.** Review of the "homework" questions
  - Summer Nagano
    - What is your organization doing to engage women to access health care?
    - O How can this LACCW Health Committee improve access to health care?
    - On what population should we focus?
    - In addition to access to care, what other issues might we focus on? (15-0702)
- 4. How do does someone enroll in the ACA?
  - Kerianne Lawson
    - Tutorial of sign up procedure (15-0703)
- 5. How many enrolled and where are future points of access to care? (15-0704)
- **6.** Action to be taken for next meeting: May 11, 2015 @ 12:30. (15-0705)

#### VIII. MISCELLANEOUS

#### **Matters Not Posted**

7. Matters not on the Posted Agenda (to be presented and placed on a future agenda). (15-0706)

#### **Public Comment**

**8.** Public Comment. (15-0707)

#### **Adjournment**

**9.** Adjournment for the February 9, 2015 Health Committee meeting. (15-0708)

#### **NOTIFICATION:**

The goal is to review the health situation in LA County as it relates to the women who live here and assess access to care. in light of the Affordable Care Act, the reorganization of the LA County Health Services, and the opening of MLK Hospital.

## February 9, 2015 12:30 p.m.

#### Attendees:

Commissioner Charlotte Lesser, Commissioner Maria Calixcommunity partners: Margaret Avineri, Summer Nagano, Nicola Ross, Raquel Aries, Katie Murphy, and Genevieve Clavreul

#### Unable to attend:

Michelle Memmott, and Brooke McIntyre-Tuley

#### Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 12:30 pm by Chair Charlotte Lesser. In addition to those listed above, staff of the LACCW were also in attendance: [staff to fill in].

#### **Discussions:**

Chair Lesser asked committee members to introduce themselves. She then introduced two guest speakers from the Beach Cities Health District: Kerianne Lawson, Older Adult Services Director, and Heather Hocking, MSW, Information and Referral Programs Coordinator.

Chair Lesser reminded attendees that our committee's basic goal is to review the health situation in LA County as it relates to the women who live here and assess access to care in light of the ACA, the reorganization of LA County Health Services, and the opening of the MLK Hospital. She passed around a few articles on health care access in LA County, including a Feb 1 *Los Angeles Times* article titled "Taming the Cost of Care."

During the discussion of what committee members' organizations are doing specifically to engage women to access health care and how to improve access to health care, it was suggested that the Health Committee develop a White Paper with our recommendations as a final product.

Since there are so many organizations working to improve health care access, discussed ensued about the Health Committee conducting a "Gap Analysis" to assess where there is need in terms of accessing health care in LA County and where there are opportunities to improve access. What are the most vulnerable populations even with the ACA is in effect?

A presentation on Covered California "Open Enrollment" was given by Kerianne Lawson and Heather Hocking. During the presentation, they discussed ways to enroll, the enrollment process, special enrollment, enrollment statistics, and issues for Covered California enrollees.

They mentioned that Special Enrollment is available to consumers who have a qualifying life event, such as those who lost their job and health coverage, birth of a child, etc. It was suggested that perhaps an opportunity to enroll would be to partner with agencies that are sought out when a qualifying event happens, such as employment agencies or college campuses.

They also discussed issues for Covered California enrollees, such as...

- > Delays in processing Medi-Cal applications
- > Confusion around provider networks
- > Changes in consumers' program eligibility throughout the year (such as fluctuating from Covered California to Medi-Cal)
- > Lack of health insurance literacy.

Opportunity: Provide health literacy to ensure that enrollees stay enrolled.

After the presentation, Chair Lesser discussed the Board of Supervisors' motion to integrate the Department of Health Services, Public Health, and Mental Health. She said the LACCW has an opportunity to comment on this and will be focusing on areas where women and families are being helped and advocate for that to continue. More information may be obtained at the website: priorities.lacounty.gov.

Chair Lesser announced that the next meeting will be held on May 11, 2015, at 12:30 pm.

### **Action Items for Next Meeting:**

- > What questions should be addressed in the Gap Analysis?
- > Which organizations should the questionnaire be sent to/or interviewed?
- > Create assignments and develop a timeline

Submitted by Summer Nagano

Good Afternoon Committee Members,

The following information is being forwarded at the direction of Commissioner Lesser.

At the February 9, 2015 Commission meeting, Dr. Ghaly and Carol Meyer from the Office of Health Care Integration provided a presentation on the proposed Integration of Health Care Services. Please see the attached draft report "Response to the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors regarding possible creation of a health agency". The report is also available on the Health Integration website at <a href="http://priorities.lacounty.gov/health/">http://priorities.lacounty.gov/health/</a>

Dr. Ghaly and Carol Meyer welcome an opportunity to meet with the Commission for Women to discuss their thoughts on the document. Written comments will also be accepted through May 15<sup>th</sup> and should be submitted to <a href="https://example.com/healthintegration@lacounty.gov">healthintegration@lacounty.gov</a>. They will also host several public convenings during the open comment period; the dates and times will be included on the website as soon as they are finalized.